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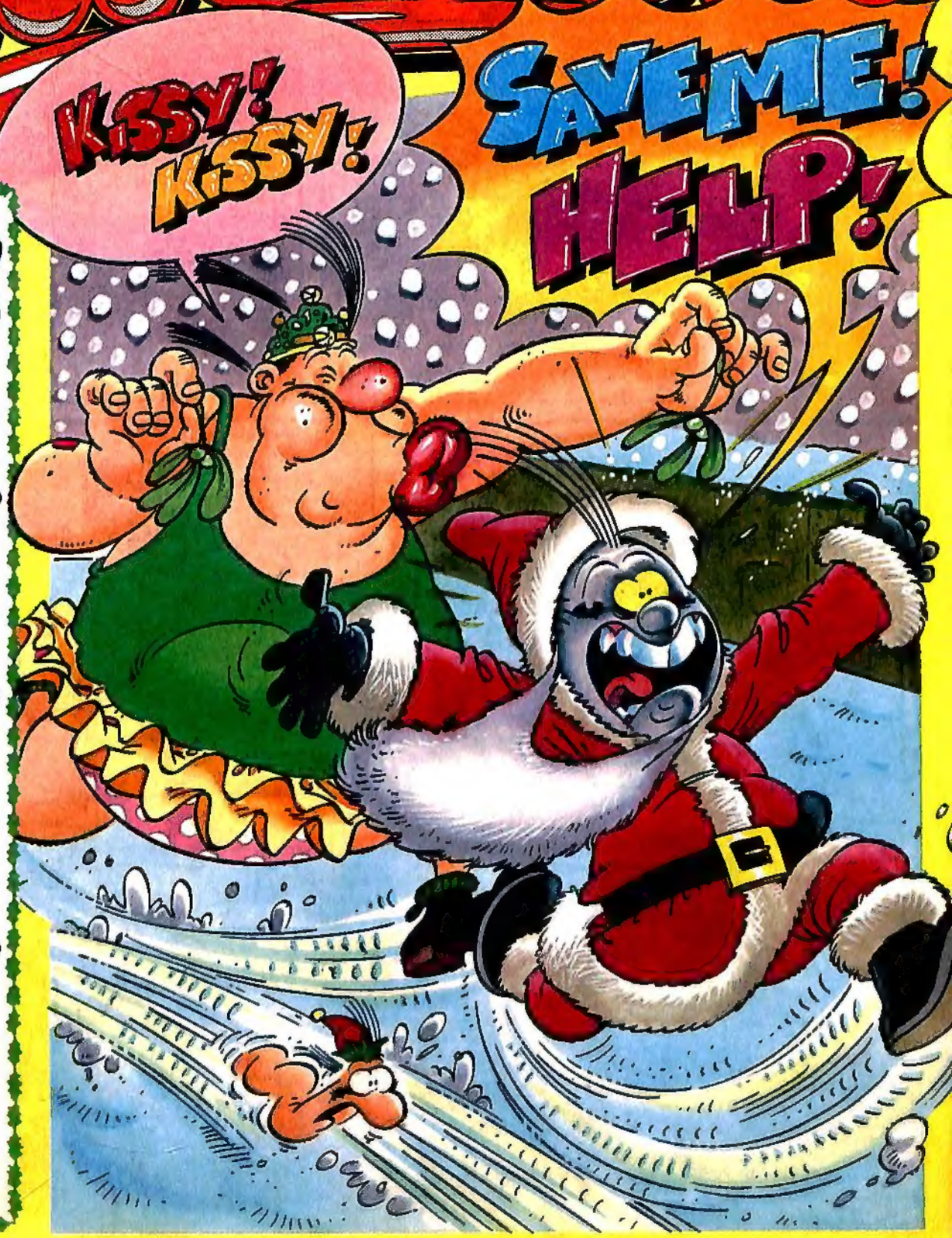

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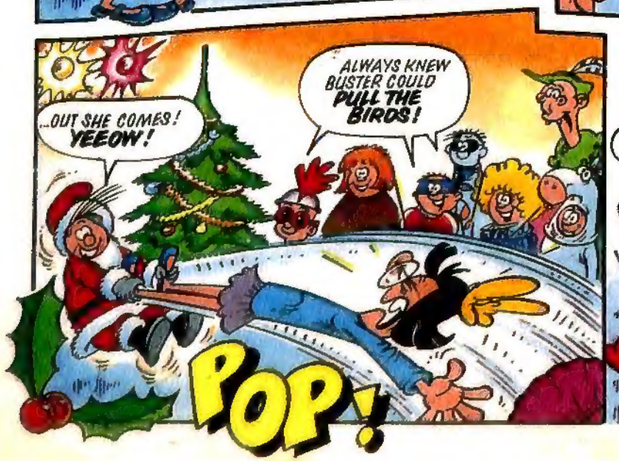

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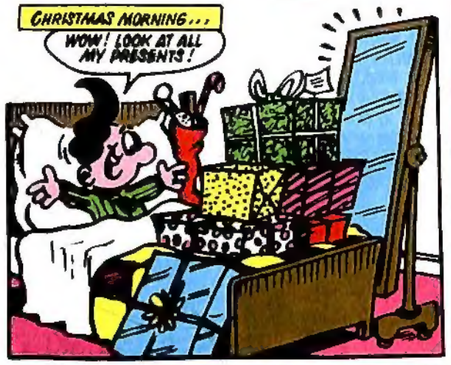

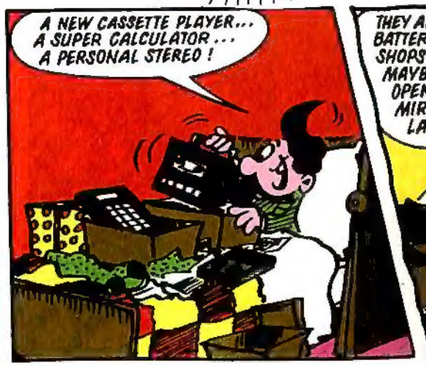

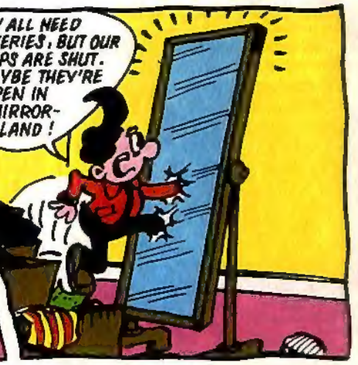

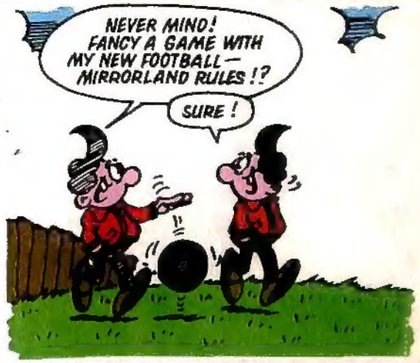

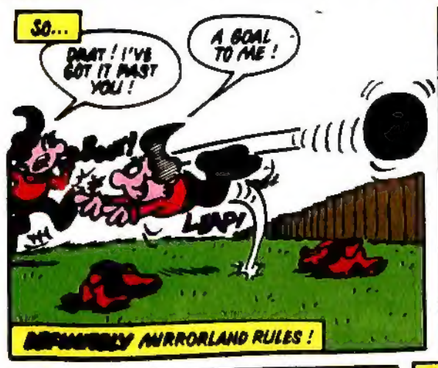

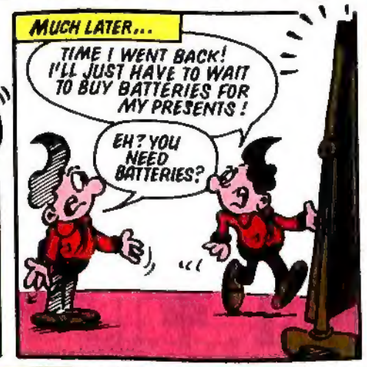

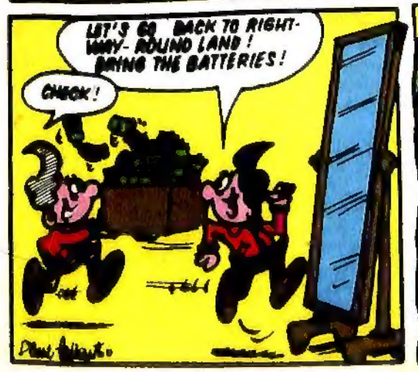

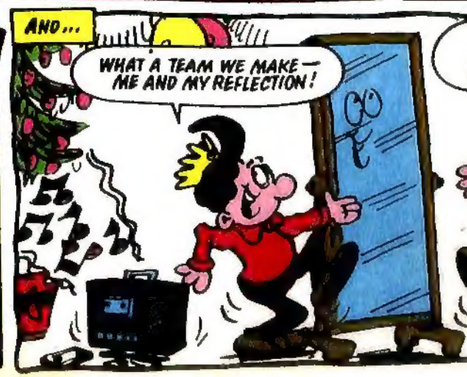

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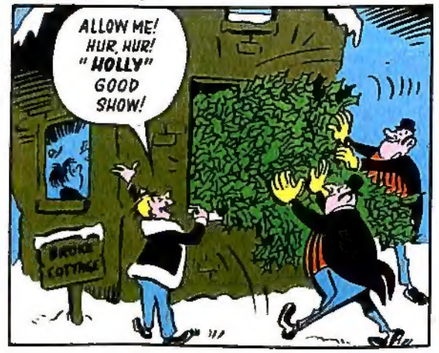
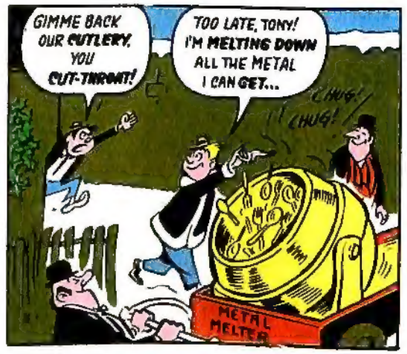
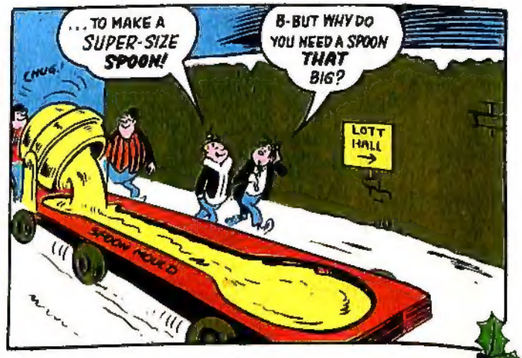
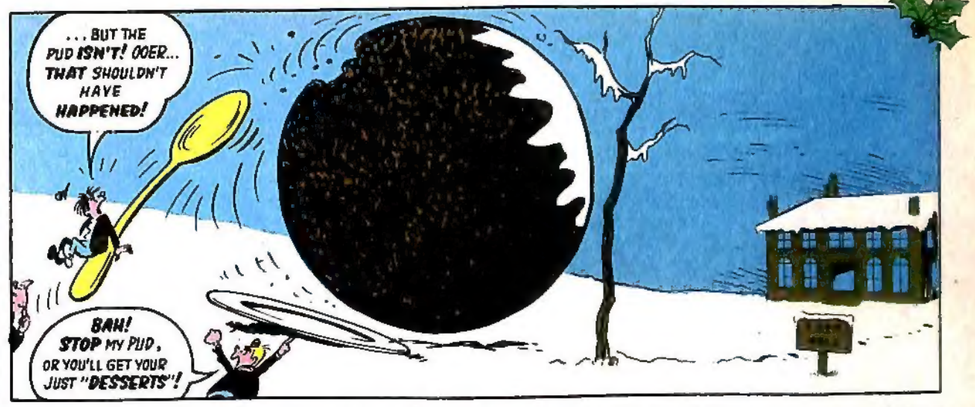
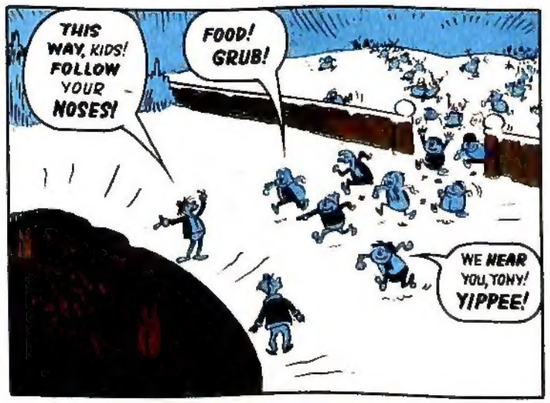










Christmas with Tom Thug

IT'S A BIG, CHRISTMAS FAMILY GET-TOGETHER AT TOM'S HOUSE . . .

FINK I SHOULD'VE GOT A BIGGER TURKEY!

GUR! I'VE LOSHT ME FALSH TEEF AN' I CAN'T EAT ME DINNER!

I'LL 'AVE IT THEN, GRANDAD! SLURP!

HUR! NICKIN' GRANDAD'S FALSE GNASHERS WORKED A TREAT!

GUR! SOFT COUSIN JEREMY'S GOT A CAPTAIN SCARLET ACTION FIGURE! I WANTED ONE OF THEM!

GREEN WITH ENVY

MYSTERON ATTACK! HUR! HUR!

NIP!

YELP!

HUR! NOT SO INDESTRUCTIBLE NOW, IS HE?

STOMP!

CRUSH!

GURR!

ACTUALLY, IT WAS COUSIN KNUCKLES' PRESENT! HE LET ME PLAY WITH IT!

OOER!

AS IT'S CHRISTMAS, I'LL LET YOU OFF, IF YOU LET US PLAY WIV YOUR PRESSIES!

. . . AND YOU CAN PLAY WITH MINE, TOM!

ULP! FAIR ENUFF!

TYPICAL! COUSIN JEREMY'S ONLY GOT SOFTY TOYS! AH WELL, MERRY CHRISTMAS, READERS!

BLUSH!

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL!

THUNDERCAP

DOZY'S MOUSE'S XMAS PARTY

I HAVEN'T A CLUE WHAT TO GET MUM FOR CHRISTMAS!

GIFTS

SANTAS GROTTO INSIDE

THEN YOU'D BEST GET YOUR THINKING CAP ON... ONLY TWO DAYS TO GO!

CLUNK!

RIGHT, LET'S GET TO IT!

I FEEL DAFT!

NO NEED TO GET TRAMPLED BY THE HORDES!

IT'S EASY TO SPOT THE BARGAINS FROM UP HERE, TOO!

SPECIAL XMAS PRICE

AND IT'S HOPELESS TRYING TO GET NEAR THE CARDS, BUT...

SPLAT

...THIS SHOULD DO IT!

SUPER SUCK

GOT IT!

WHAAP!

LATER...

IT'S HARD WORK THIS CHRISTMAS LARK!

DON'T I KNOW IT!

EEK! I'VE GOT A PIMPLE!

MY CAP SHOULD HELP! IT'S BETTER THAN A CHEF'S HAT AT THIS TIME!

ZIP! WHIZ

HE ATE A WHOLE JELLY

CHRISTMAS DAY...

WHAT A GREAT IDEA! PUZZLER'S CLOCK! I'LL HAVE TO GET MY THINK-ING CAP ON!

DON'T YOU MEAN MINE, MUM?

MERRY CHRISTMAS

X-RAY SPECS

RAY COULDN'T WAIT FOR CHRISTMAS MORNING...

I WONDER WHERE MUM AND DAD HAVE HIDDEN MY CHRISTMAS PRESSIES THIS YEAR?

UNDER THE BED IN THE SPARE ROOM PERHAPS... AHA!

I'VE FOUND ONE, AT LEAST...

BUT...

WHAT?! A BABY'S RATTLE?!

HO, HO! THIS IS FROM A CHRISTMAS LONG AGO... IT WAS SO WELL HIDDEN IT GOT FORGOTTEN!

TO RAY FOR YOUR FIRST CHRISTMAS

ON WITH THE HUNT...

OHO! IN THE ATTIC, EH?

AW! THOSE ARE MUM'S... FROM DAD!

To Mum From Dad Merry Christmas

To Mum From Dad Merry Christmas

IN THE GARDEN SHED! GOTTA BE

BUT...

THEY'RE EMPTY... ALL OF THEM!

WE'VE BEEN ROBBED! I MUST PHONE THE POLICE!

NO! THAT'S DAFT — A BURGLAR WOULDN'T RE-WRAP EMPTY BOXES!

HUH! MUST BE ONE OF DAD'S LITTLE JOKES! HE KNEW I'D BE HUNTING FOR MY PRESSIES!

WHERE ARE MUM AND DAD, BY THE WAY? UH-OH! IN MY BEDROOM!

AN INSTANT LATER...

RAY'S ROOM

HEY! HANDS OFF THOSE PRESSIES... YOU DON'T OPEN THEM UNTIL CHRISTMAS!

EMBARRASSED!

BET YOU HAVEN'T FOUND YOURS YET!

I HAVE NOW! YOU'VE HIDDEN MY GIFTS IN THERE!

OKAY... LET'S AGREE NOT TO TOUCH ANY OF OUR GIFTS 'TIL CHRISTMAS MORNING!

ALL RIGHT!

IT'S A DEAL!

AND SO...

HO, HO! I CAN SPEND THE TIME HAVING FUN!

NOT TO BE OPENED, TOUCHED, RATTLED OR X-RAYED 'TIL CHRISTMAS!

BY FINDING OUT WHAT GIFTS MUM AND DAD ARE **HOPING** TO GET! MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYONE!

THE CRAZIEST CHARACTERS ARE ALWAYS IN BUSTER COMIC

LUCY LASTIC

NO SLEDGING TODAY, LUCY! NOT A SNOW CLOUD IN THE SKY!

LEAVE IT TO ME, DAD!

THESE HIGH MOUNTAIN TOPS ARE COVERED IN SNOW!

BOING!

ELASTIC LUNGED HURRICANE FORCE BLAST!

ER... NICE GOING, LUCY!

SOON...

YEEHAA!

WAHEY!

WHOOSH!

SKID!

ERK! WE'RE OUT OF CONTROL!

YIPE! WE'RE HEADING OVER THE EDGE!

QUICK! GRAB SOMETHING, LUCY!

DANGER CLIFF!

TWANG!

MY STRETCHY, TELESCOPIC VISION SHOULD TRACK HIM DOWN!

TWOING!

YIPE! FISHFOODCITY! HE'S OUT AT SEA WITH SOME BAD OCTOPUS DUDE!

ROARGH!

HELP!

NO OCEAN STOPS THIS ELASTIC BABE!

ZOOOP!

UP PERISCOPE!

YO! WANNA WRESTLE, SEAWEED BREATH!

I HAD A LITTLE CHRISTMAS WRAPPING WITH ME!

COOL MOVE, COUSIN!

SEASONS GREETINGS

TOMMY'S RETURN...

WELL DONE, LUCY!

YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET!

I ALSO PICKED UP A REPLACEMENT FOR THE TORN TRIMMINGS!

MERRY CHRISTMAS, FANS!

SID'S SNAKE

WOW-EEEEE! YOU MAKE A GREAT TOBOGGAN, SLIPPY!
YOU BET!
HUH?!
FASTER, SLIPPY-FASTER!
JUST CALL ME 'SLIPPY THE SLEIGH'!
THIS CHRISTMAS TREE WAS ALL I COULD GET. IT'S A BIT SMALL!
LOOK OUT, DAD!
I CAN'T STOP!
OO-ER!
KER'UMP!
ULP!
NOW, LOOK! YOU'VE BROKEN THAT TREE. IT WAS THE LAST ONE!
OH, NO! SID'S DAD'LL ... ER... **SLEIGH** US!
D-DON'T WORRY, DAD. LEAVE IT TO SLIPPY AND ME!
SO...
HAVE A **TREE**-MENDOUS CHRISTMAS, READERS!
WELL DONE, SID! SLIPPY—HA! HA! MAKES A SMASHING CHRISTMAS TREE!
HE CAN COME DOWN FOR HIS CHRISTMAS DINNER NOW!

BOBBY'S GHOUL

BOBBY, I'D LIKE TO JOIN YOUR FAMILY XMAS PARTY! BUT I MIGHT SCARE THEM ALL AWAY, BEING A GHASTLY GHOUL!
AW, NO YOU WON'T, GHOUL! IN YOU COME!
HEY, HEY! THIS YOUR GIRL FRIEND BOBBY! SHE LOOKS VERY WHITE AND COLD! BUT I'LL SOON WARM HER UP WHEN I KISS HER UNDER THE MISTLETOE!
HUH! IGNORE MY FAT COUSIN NIGEL, GHOUL! HE'S A PAIN IN THE NECK AT PARTIES!
HEY, HEY! ONE OF MY KISSES WILL PUT A BIT OF COLOUR IN YOUR CHEEKS!
SLOBBER!
WANNA BET, MATE! GIGGLE!
BRR! YOU ARE C-C-COLD!
YES! AREN'T I! GIGGLE!
OOER! GHOUL'S LOST HER HEAD AND HERE COMES MY AUNTIE VI! SHE'LL SCREAM WITH HORROR WHEN SHE SEES HEADLESS GHOUL!
HI, BOBBY... SO THIS IS YOUR GIRL FRIEND! OOH! SHE'S BEAUTIFUL!
?!
OOH, NORMAN... I THINK YOUR BOBBY'S GIRL FRIEND IS **GORGEOUS**! SHE REMINDS ME OF A FILM STAR—OR EVEN ME!
PHEW! QUICK, GHOUL! FIND YOUR HEAD BEFORE ANYONE ELSE SEES YOU!
COR! GHOUL... YOU'VE FROZEN OUR NIGEL SOLID WITH YOUR KISS!
NIGEL WON'T BE A PARTY PEST NOW BOBBY! I'LL THAW HIM OUT WHEN I LEAVE!
HAPPY XMAS TO EVERYONE... INCLUDING ALL GHOSTS!

Toy Boy

ON CHRISTMAS DAY...

RIGHT, THEN! WHO WANTS TO PLAY WITH THIS ACE GAME OF MINE?

BAH! MUM AND DAD HAVE HAD TOO MUCH XMAS DINNER!

I DIDN'T EAT MUCH 'COS I WAS TOO EXCITED ABOUT ALL THE SUPER NEW TOYS I GOT! I'LL CALL ON BILLY BENSON AND SEE IF HE WANTS TO PLAY WITH ME INSTEAD!

SNORE! SNORE!

BUT...

BAH! THEY'VE HAD TOO MUCH TO EAT, AS WELL!

ZZZZZ

ZZZZZ

ZZZZZ

ZZZZ

SNORE!

SNORE!

WHY DOES EVERYONE MAKE PIGS OF THEMSELVES ON XMAS DAY?

JUST THEN...

THERE MUST BE SOMEONE STILL AWAKE!

I'LL PLAY WITH YOU, TOY BOY!

I NEVER EAT MUCH AT XMAS, EITHER! SO AFTER WE'VE PLAYED WITH YOUR GAME, YOU CAN HAVE A GO ON THE ACE WEIGHT TRAINING EQUIPMENT MY DAD BOUGHT ME!

PHIL PHITT!

THEN WE'LL GO OUT FOR A JOG TO TEST THE NEW TRAINERS MUM BOUGHT ME. THEN THERE'S THE EXERCISE BIKE FROM MY UNCLE GEORGE, THE ROWING MACHINE FROM AUNT MATILDA...

ER... I'VE JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING, PHIL!

MUNCH! CHEW! EATING YOURSELF TO SLEEP ISN'T SUCH A BAD IDEA AFTER ALL... 'SPECIALLY IF IT KEEPS YOU OUT OF PHIL PHITT'S WAY!

TERRY BANE

Chalky

I'M QUICK ON THE DRAW!

HE IS, TOO!

IT'S CHRISTMAS! I WONDER IF I'VE GOT THE PRESSIES I HOPED FOR!?

BUZZ!

I GAVE MUM PLENTY OF HINTS LAST WEEK!

"SORT OF DREW HER ATTENTION TO WHAT I'D REALLY LIKE! TITTER!..."

ERK! THERE ARE DRAWINGS IN THE FRIDGE!

I WISH I HAD A—

THE TRUTHS

NEW LP

AND ON THE DOOR!

I HAVEN'T GOT A...

IN FACT—GASP!—ALL OVER THE HOUSE!

I WOULDN'T MIND A

I'M SHORT OF A

IT'S NOT

LIKES

LONG

THEY'RE EVERY-WHERE!

MERRY CHRISTMAS, CHALKY! SEEING ALL THOSE DRAWINGS YOU DID LATELY, I KNEW EXACTLY WHAT TO GET YOU!

BRILL!

SOME NEW CHALKS! YOU MUST'VE USED UP ALL YOUR OTHERS!

CHALKS

AAGH!

FAINT!

GIGGLE! ONLY JOKING! LOOK OVER THERE!

WAHAAAY! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

TO CHALKY

CHALKY

TO CHALKY

McHILL.

SCHOOL BELLE

CHRISTMAS DAY...

BECAUSE MY BOYFRIEND SEBASTIAN'S PARENTS LIVE ABROAD, SEB'S GOT TO STAY IN HIS POSH PRIVATE SCHOOL OVER CHRISTMAS. I **DID** HOPE SEB'S HEADMASTER WOULD LET HIM SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH MY FAMILY, **BUT**...

GLOOM! IT'S NO GOOD, BELLE... MY HEAD-MASTER WON'T ALLOW ME TO LEAVE SCHOOL TO BE WITH YOU!

HEADMASTER'S RESIDENCE

KNOW YOUR NURKS LOOK WHAT RUDOLPH WINTERBOTTOM GOT IN HIS CHRISTMAS STOCKING

OLD MISERY! BUT IT WON'T STOP ME GIVING YOU A CHRISTMAS KISS! SEE!

I'M SENDING IT UP TO YOU GUIDED BY THE PERFUME I GOT AS A CHRISTMAS PRESSIE!

EXPENSIVE PONG OF 'BOOTS'

SNIFF! OOH, IT SMELLS LOVELY, BELLE! MMM!

HEADMA

POOP!

BACK INSIDE, BOY! YOU HAVE TO DECORATE MY ROOM WITH THIS HOLLY... WHICH ACCIDENTALLY HAS POPPED THIS BALLOON!

BACK HOME TO A MISERABLE CHRISTMAS DAY!

GLOOM!

RIGHT, SEBASTIAN... NOW, JOIN THE OTHER BOYS AND CARRY ON MAKING PAPER CHAINS FOR DECORATIONS TO MY STUDY!

SPLIT! SPLOT!

PASTE

GRR! WE'RE IN THE CHAIN GANG!

I SHALL SIT HERE AND WATCH YOUR PROGRESS, BOYS!

STICK!

AND, SEBASTIAN, DON'T THINK I SHALL FALL ASLEEP SO YOU CAN CREEP OUT OF SCHOOL TO SEE THAT GIRL!

GLOOM!

I'M NOT GOING TO HOPE FOR THAT, SIR, BECAUSE I'M GOING TO CHAIN YOU TO YOUR CHAIR!

'BYE, SIR! HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

SILLY BOY! **PAPER** CHAINS CAN EASILY BE BROKEN!

RIP!

OOER! I CAN'T... GET OUT... OF THE CHAIR!

STUCK!

PUFF! GRUNT! AAAGH!

THE CHAINS MAY HAVE BEEN PAPER, SIR, BUT THE PASTE WE USED WAS **EXTRA-STRONG!**

BELLE'S HAPPY HOME...

HO, HO, HO! COME AND GET YOUR PRESSIES FROM FATHER CHRISTMAS! HERE'S YOURS, GRAN!

GLOOM! EVEN DAD PLAYING SANTA DOESN'T CHEER ME UP!

LOOK! HERE'S YOUR PRESENT, BELLE!

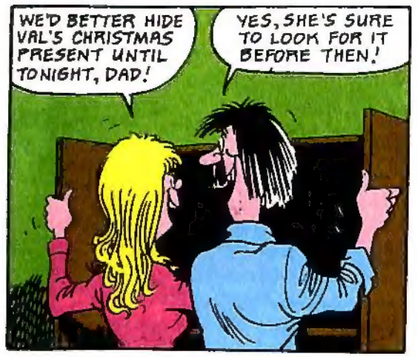
GIVE IT TO ME, DAD... BUT IT WON'T CHEER ME UP! GLOOM!

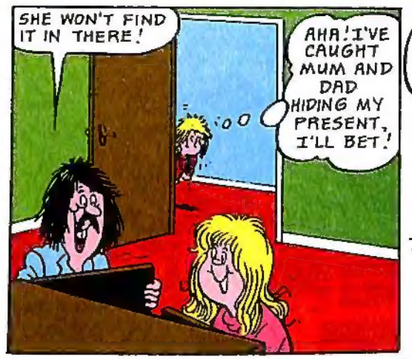
... BET IT **WILL**, BELLE!

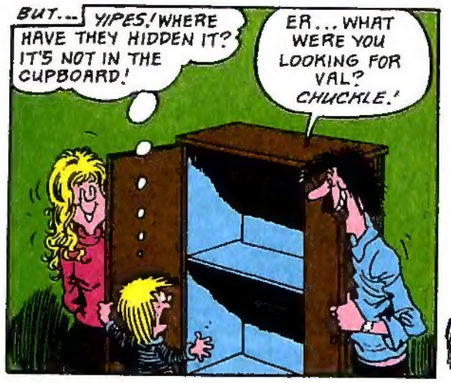
HOP!

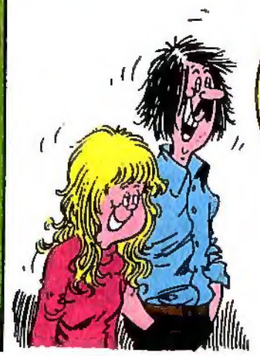
OOH! OOH! SEBASTIAN! WHAT A **WONDERFUL** CHRISTMAS!

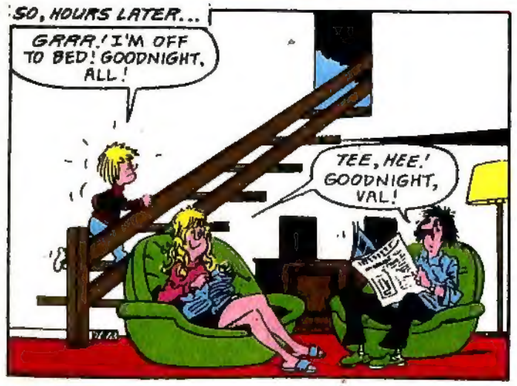
VAL'S VANISHING CREAM

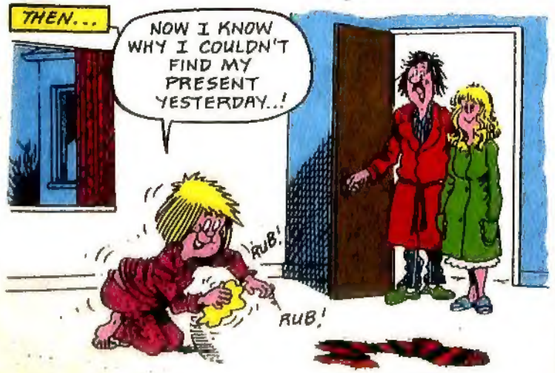


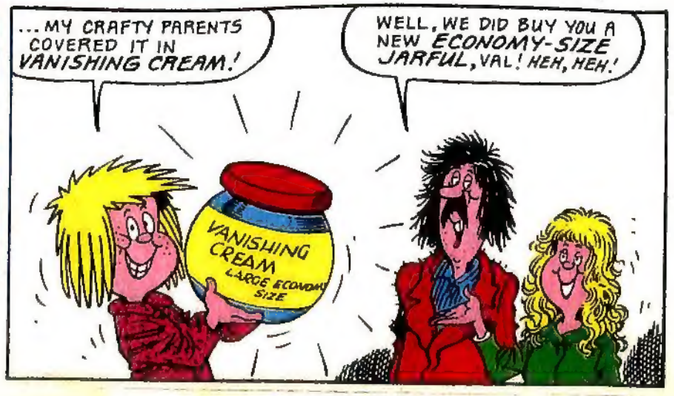












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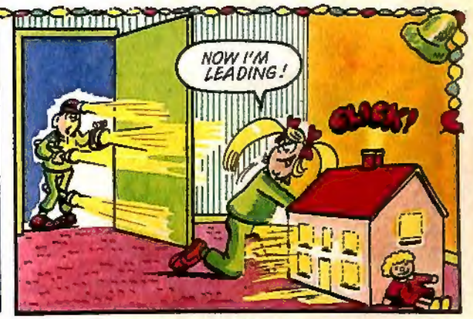
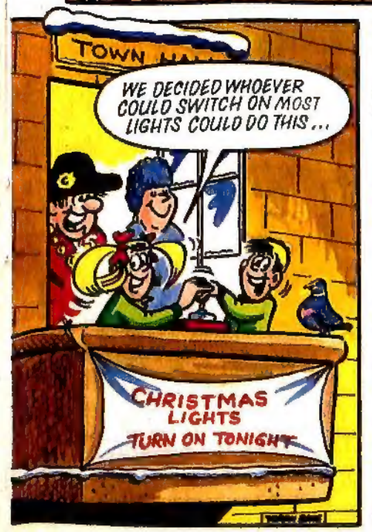




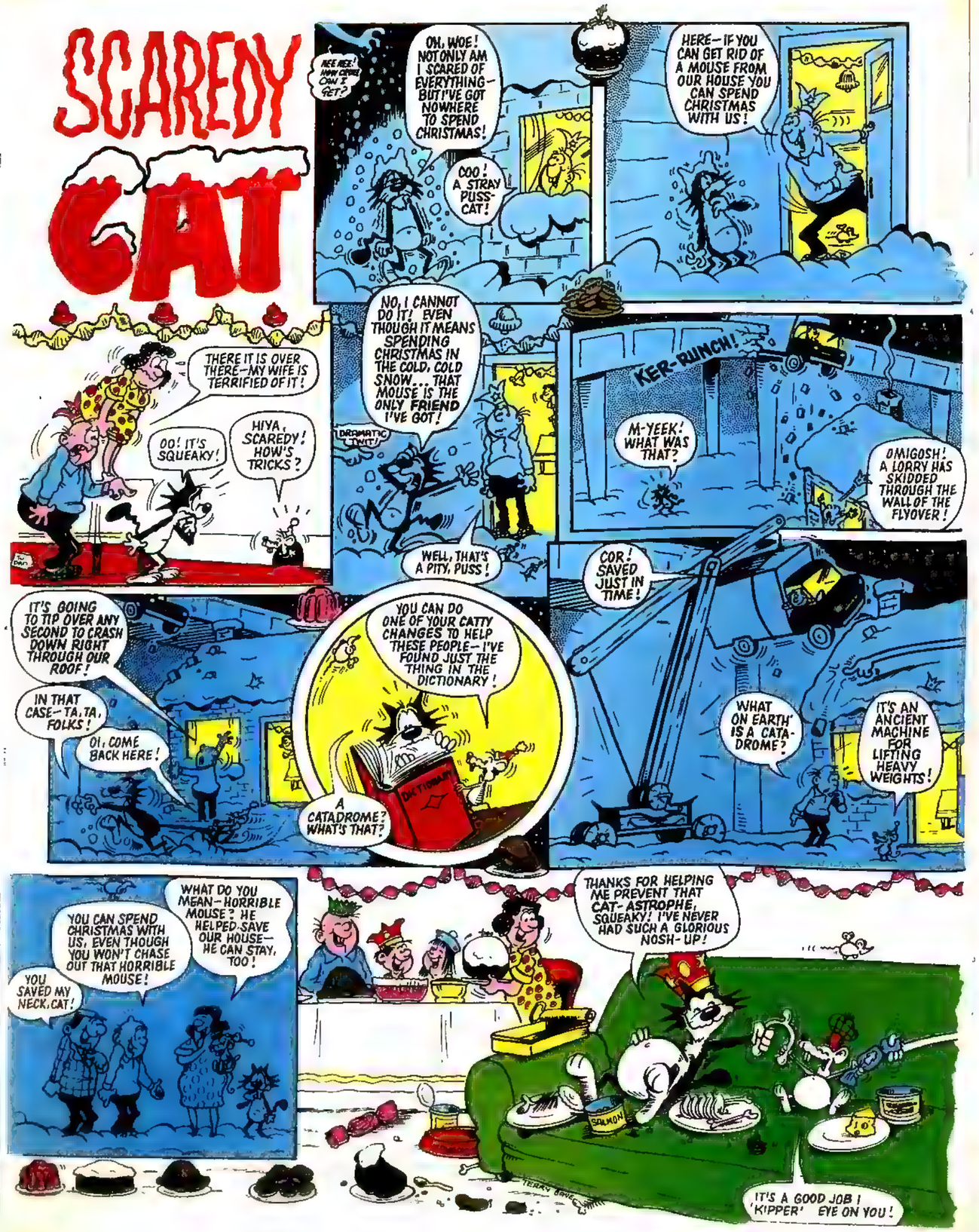
The WINNERS

WE'VE WON A GREAT BIG FAT TURKEY FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER!
GREAT! WHERE IS IT?
BUT...
MEET HERBERT!
GOBBLE! GOBBLE!
BUT HE'S STILL ALIVE!
HE WON'T BE FOR LONG!
GOBBLE! GOBBLE!
SHOCK! HORROR!
BUT...
GULP! I C-C-CAN'T D-D-DO IT!
BAH! YOU MEN ARE ALL THE SAME!
GOBBLE! GOBBLE!
I'LL DO IT WITH THIS ANTIQUE BLUNDERBUSS WE WON!
GOBBLE! GOBBLE!
I CAN'T WATCH THIS!
POOR HERBERT!
BANG!
BUT...
I COULDN'T DO IT, EITHER, SO I POTTED THE GARDEN SHED!
WELL, IT WAS A POTTING SHED! HEH, HEH!
PHEW!
WE SPARED YOUR LIFE, RIGHT?
SO WE'D LIKE YOU TO DO US A FAVOUR IN RETURN!
FIRST WE WANT YOU TO PLUCK YOUR FEATHERS OUT!
IT WON'T HURT IF YOU DO IT QUICK!

THEN WE WANT YOU TO GET INTO THE OVEN!
IT'S NICE AND WARM IN THERE! YOU'LL LIKE IT.
WHAT DO THEY TAKE ME FOR— A POOL?
ARRR!
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE SQUEAMISH, DEAR!
YOU'RE RIGHT! OUR CHRISTMAS DINNER IS AT STAKE!
ON CHRISTMAS DAY...
YUM! LOVELY TURKEY, MUM!
TUCK IN! THERE'S PLENTY LEFT!
CHOMP!
MUNCH!
HEH, HEH! DON'T WORRY, READERS ...THEY ACTUALLY WENT OUT AND BOUGHT ONE! MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYONE!
herbert
MUNCH! GOBBLE! MUNCH!

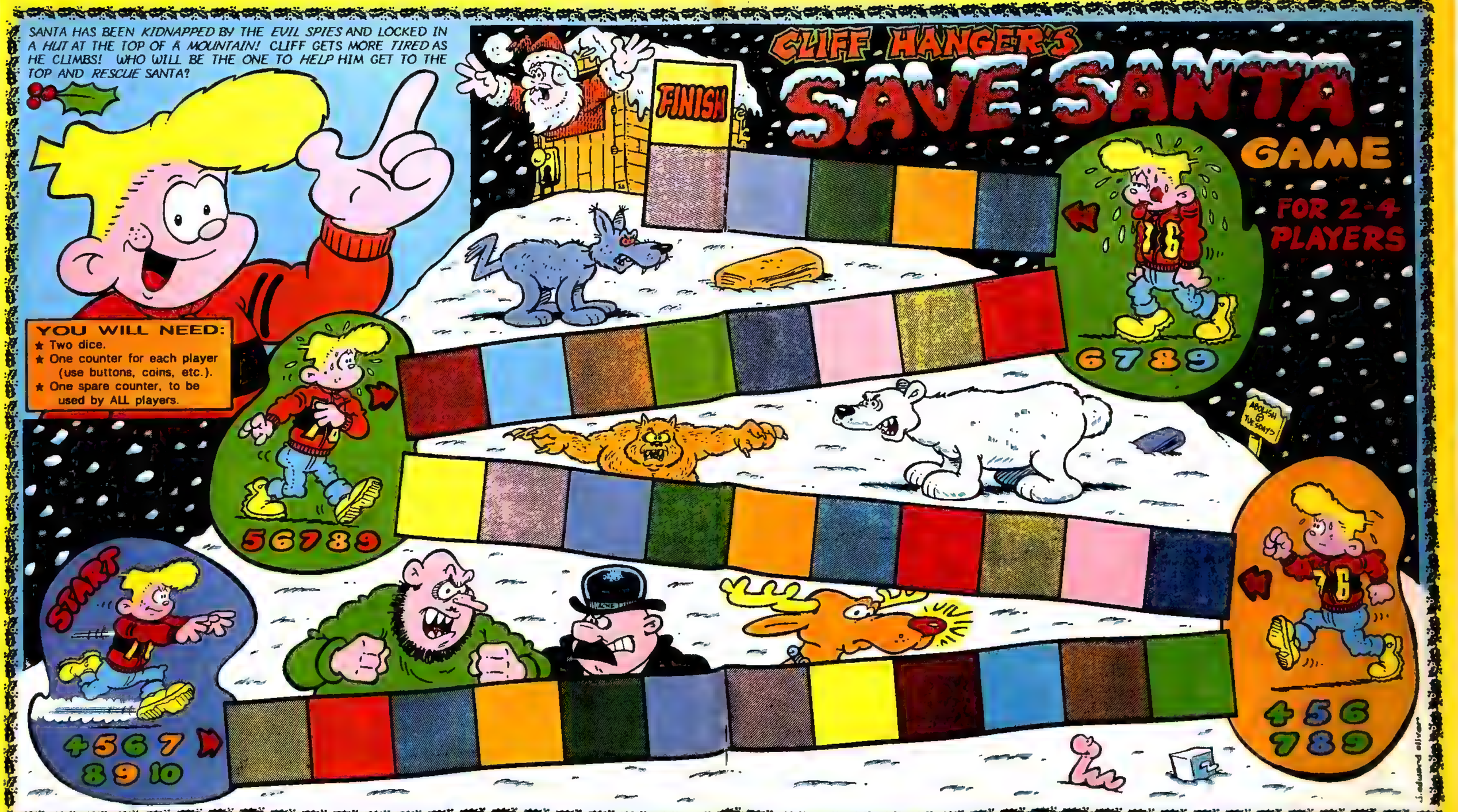
"YEAR WE GO, YEAR WE GO, YEAR WE GO!"
1994
DON'T MISS
Buster
ISSUE DATED 8th JANUARY, 1994
AND START COLLECTING YOUR EXCLUSIVE
"BUSTER 1994 CALENDAR"!

SCAREDY CAT



Ricky Rainbow

THE MOST COLOURFUL BOY IN THE WORLD



HOW TO PLAY:

★ Place players' counters on START.

★ On your turn, put the spare counter on the same space as your own counter. This is to remind you where you started your turn.

★ Now throw both dice and add the numbers together. If your total is the same as one of the numbers on the CLIFF HANGER picture at the beginning of the section you are on, you may move your counter forward ONE SPACE.

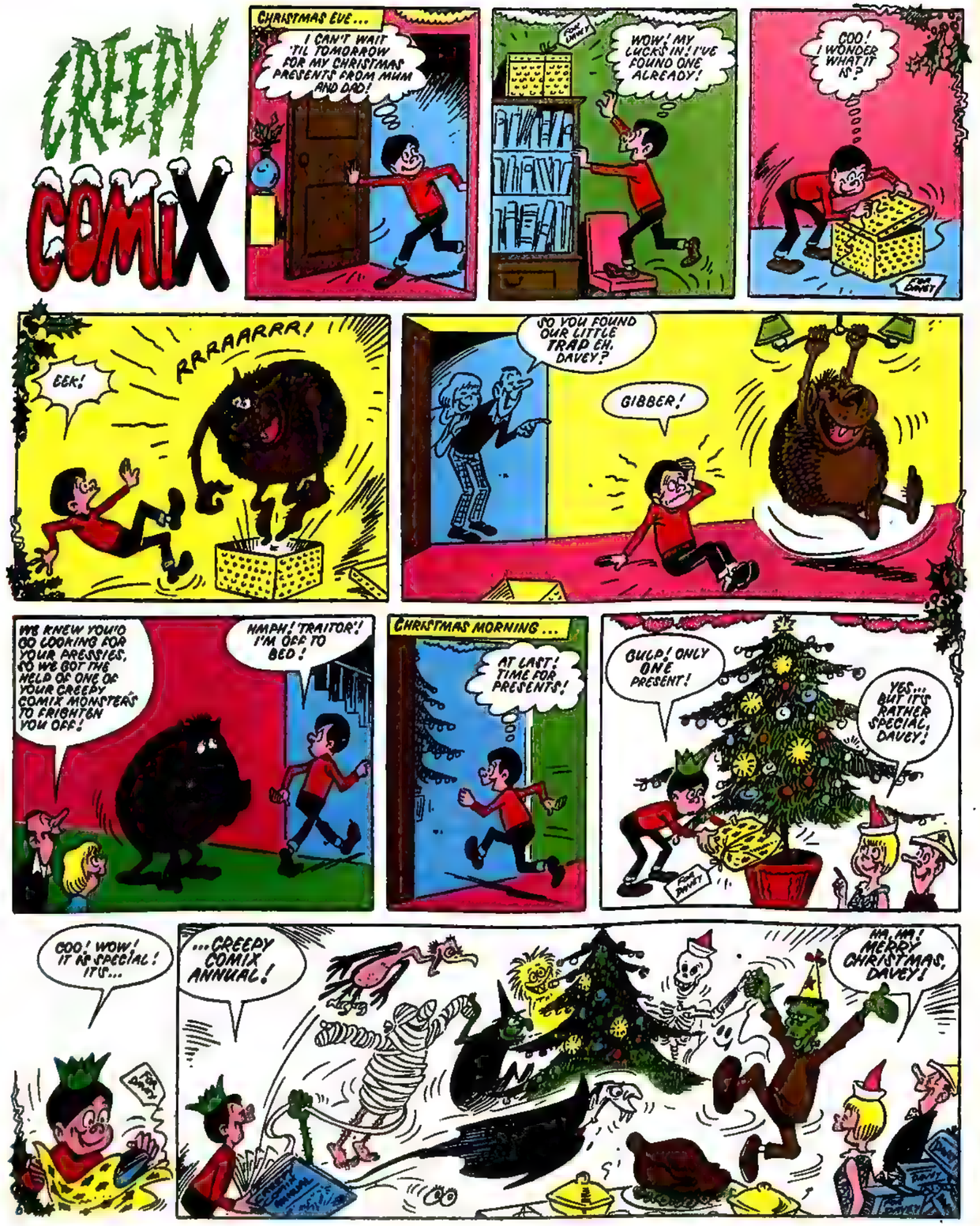
★ After a successful throw, you must decide whether to PLAY SAFE and end your turn, or TAKE A CHANCE and throw again. You may keep having goes as long as you wish, as long as you throw one of the numbers on the CLIFF HANGER picture. Each successful throw moves you ONE SPACE forward.

★ HOWEVER, IF AT ANY TIME YOU DO NOT THROW ONE OF THE REQUIRED NUMBERS, YOU ARE IMMEDIATELY *ZAPPED!* Your turn is over and your counter must return to the space on which you left the spare counter at the beginning of your turn. You may not move at all for that turn.

★ *IMPORTANT:* YOU MUST END YOUR TURN IF YOU REACH THE NEXT *CLIFF HANGER* PICTURE.

★ The winner is the first player to rescue Santa by reaching the FINISH.

★ HINT: The higher you get up the mountain, the more likely you are to be ZAPPED, so don't be too greedy!



DON'T MISS THE NEXT ISSUE OF BUSTER! ON SALE 1st JANUARY, 1994!

LAST WEEK'S DELIBERATE MISTAKE: In picture 11, Vic's sister was wearing socks.

Little Rotten

YOU LAZY, GOOD-FOR-NOTHIN', J.R.! YOU SHOULD BE HELPIN' MOM GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS! NAG, NAG...

AW, PIPE DOWN, SUE HELEN! I'M BUSY!

...BUSY FIGGERIN' WAYS TO KEEP THAT PESKY SISTER OUTA MY HAIR OVER CHRISTMAS!

TURN!

AW, NO! NOT MORE NAGGIN'!

POOMF!

CLEAR OFF!

OH, J.R.! I ONLY CAME TO SEE IF YOU WANTED A DRINK OF SODA-POP!

GEE! MOM! SORRY!

YOU DON'T DESERVE NO CHRISTMAS, J.R.! IT'D SERVE YOU RIGHT IF MOM AN' DADDY CLEARED OUT AN' LEFT YOU!

VRRRRR!

SLAM!

HUH! THEY WOULDN'T DO A THING LIKE THAT!

LATER...

WONDER WHAT THE TRAVEL AGENT IS DOIN' HERE?

TRAVEL AGENT

...THE TICKETS YOU PHONED ABOUT... EXPRESS DELIVERY...

OH, I'M SO RELIEVED!

!

ER... HI, MOM AND DADDY!

J.R.! AH...

WELL... SEE YOU LATER!

?

THEY'RE ACTIN' MIGHTY STRANGE! TICKETS? THEY CAN'T BE PLANNIN' TO SKIP... CAN THEY?

AAAAGH!!! NO!!! THEY'RE PACKIN'!

NO! STOP! DON'T DO IT! NOT AT CHRISTMAS!

HUH?

DON'T LEAVE ME! I'M SORRY I'VE BEEN ROTTEN! HONEST!

WELL, I WAS GOING TO KEEP IT AS A SURPRISE, BUT I MAY AS WELL TELL YOU NOW...

...MOM DESERVES A REST FROM LOOKIN' AFTER US, SO WE'RE ALL GOIN' ON A CHRISTMAS CRUISE!

WOW! GOSH!

YIPPEE!

AND SOON...

YOU'RE SODA-POP, SIR!

I AIN'T GONNA DO ONE SINGLE ROTTEN THING ALL HOLIDAY — NOT EVEN TO SUE HELEN! HAPPY CHRISTMAS, DEAR SISTER... AN' EVERYBODY!

BUSTER

1994 IS GOING TO BE DIFFERENT! IT'S ALL CHANGE THIS YEAR!

SMACK!

I'M NEVER GOING TO BE NASTY TO BRENDA AGAIN! NEVER MAKE REMARKS ABOUT HER SIZE...

WHAT A MUG!

FLIP!

SPLOOTCH!

YOU GREAT BIG, OVER-SIZED BULLY! I'LL GET YOU FOR THAT!

I'LL BE NICE TO MR. CRABBE. IF HE'S NASTY, I'LL JUST TURN THE OTHER CHEEK!

SLAM

TURN THE OTHER CHEEK! I'VE ONLY MANAGED TO SOAK YOU ON ONE SIDE, YOU OLD NARK!

I'LL PUT KATE OUT OF HER MISERY AND BE HER BOY-FRIEND!

DEAREST KATE, WILT THOU BE MINE?

WHAT'S YOUR GAME? TRYING TO MAKE A FOOL OF ME?

WHO AM I KIDDING? '94'S GOING TO BE EXACTLY THE SAME AS '93!...

...AND I CAN'T WAIT FOR IT ALL TO BEGIN ALL OVER AGAIN!!

BOP!

VAL'S VANISHING CREAM

NEW YEAR'S DAY... I'M ON MY WAY TO FIRST FOOT GRAN... SHE ALWAYS GIVES A GOOD FEED TO HER FIRST VISITOR OF THE NEW YEAR!

BUT... I'VE GOT TO STOP VAL REACHING GRAN'S PLACE BEFORE I DO!

OOPS! HOW CLUMSY OF ME! MY SNOWBALL'S GONE OUT OF CONTROL!

ERK! COUSIN BILLY!

OOOGH!

SPLODGE!

HEE, HEE! THAT'LL SLOW HER DOWN A BIT!

GRAN, HERE I COME! YUK, YUK!

GRRR... SO THAT'S WHAT HE'S UP TO! WELL, I'M NOT BEATEN YET!

DRRR-RING!

YEEEOOUCH! WHO DID THAT?

BOOT!

GOSH! WH-WHAT'S THAT!

TEE, HEE! IT'S ME, GRAN-VAL...! I'M YOUR FIRST FOOT! SNIGGER!

SHRIEK! IT AIN'T 'UMAN...! A F-FOOT ON ITS OWN!

HEE-EELP! POLICE...! MUMMY!

I THOUGHT I HEARD THE DOORBELL... OOH! WHAT A PITY! I'VE JUST MISSED YOUNG BILLY!

TUT, TUT! YOU DO GET UP TO SOME TRICKS WITH THAT VANISHING CREAM...! PITY COUSIN BILLY DIDN'T SEE YOU!

OH, HE DID! SNIGGER! HE DID!

TOM THUG ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

AAGH! THAT SNOWMAN'S ALIVE!

HO-HO! IT'S ONLY ME ON MY WAY TO A FANCY DRESS CONTEST! I THINK I'LL WIN!

PUNY PERKINS! GRR!

COTTON WOOL STUCK ON TO COSTUME

I'LL MAKE SURE YOU DON'T WIN!

HELP!

WHEW! I THINK I'VE GIVEN HIM THE SLIP!

SPLAT!

YERK!

FINK I'VE GIVEN YOU THE "SLIP"! HUR, HUR!

SLIP!

BUMP!

MORE SOUND-EFFECTS THAN A BATMAN EPISODE!

LEW STRINGER.

UGH! MY COSTUME'S ALL SOGGY NOW!

I AIN'T FINISHED WIV YER YET!

GARDEN SUPPLIES

SALE STARTS TOMORROW!

OOER! A DEAD END!

I'LL USE THIS TO VAULT OVER THE WALL TO SAFETY!

OUCH! AAGH! EEK!

RIP!

SCRATCH!

BAH! YOU'VE RUINED MY COSTUME! I'LL NEVER WIN NOW!

FANCY DRESS CONTEST INSIDE!

HUR, HUR!

WOW! PUNY PERKINS WINS THE FIRST PRIZE FOR HIS EXCELLENT OLD FATHER TIME COSTUME!

WAHEYY!

BAHH!!

VIDEO GAME

1994 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CLIFF HANGER

DON'T LAUGH, READER! I'M GOING TO A NEW YEAR KIDS' FANCY DRESS PARTY! I'M HOPING TO WIN FIRST PRIZE!

EVIL SPIES LAB

THIS IS THE PERFECT MOMENT! FIRE THE TRANSPORTER BEAM!

MONITOR

ZAP!

WH-WHERE AM I?

QUICK--- BEFORE HE REALISES WHAT'S HAPPENING! PUSH HIM INTO THE CABINET!

SHOVE!

NOW FIRE THE YOUTH RAY!

BZZZZ!

YOUNGER OLDER

OOER! WHAT'S GOING ON?

YIKES! I'M GETTING YOUNGER AND YOUNGER!

GLUB GLUB GURGLE COOCHIE COO GURGLE!*

* TRANSLATION: I'M STILL GETTING YOUNGER, AND NOW I'M TOO SMALL TO REACH THE SWITCH! HELP ME, READER, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

WHAT DO YOU ADVISE CLIFF TO DO, READER?

- A HIS BABY'S BOTTLE?
- B HIS SAFETY PIN?
- C HIS RATTLE?

NOW TODDLE OVER THE PAGE AND FIND OUT IF YOU'VE MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE!

1994

ONLY YOU CAN SAVE CLIFF HANGER!

TURN TO THE THRILL-PACKED CONCLUSION NOW!

BRAINY BUSTERS

QUIZDOTZ!

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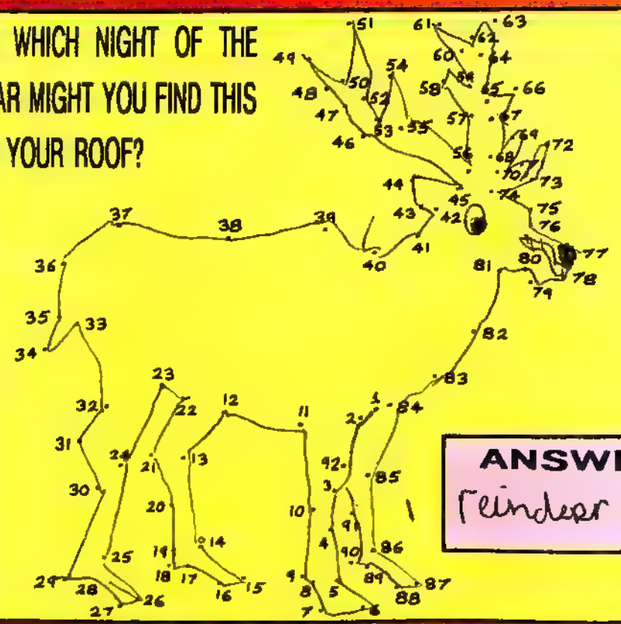
ON WHICH NIGHT OF THE YEAR MIGHT YOU FIND THIS ON YOUR ROOF?



ANSWER: reindeer

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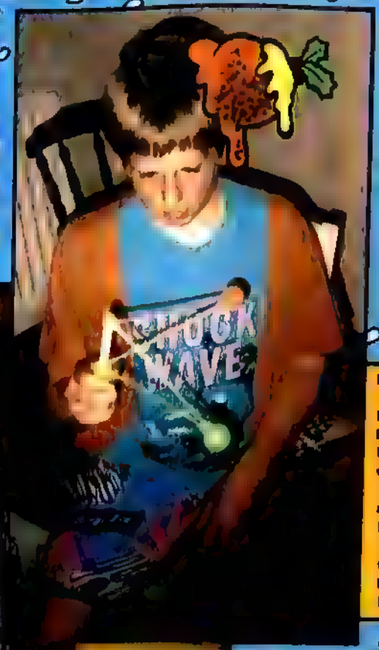
CHRISTMAS PUDDING CORNER!



Dear Buster,
I get your comic every week and I think it's really cool and fab Please splat my best friend, Kate Warby, because she reads the B***o and not Buster.
GEMMA DAVIS, WOODFORD GREEN, ESSEX

Dear Buster,
My brother is looking a little unhappy here, so could you "Splat" him and cheer him up!
MICHAEL CUDDINGTON, HILTON, DERBYSHIRE.

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by Gary Sillcock *

* Please send me your address, Gary!

Q. What do you call a joke at Christmas?
A. A cracker!
Christopher Jones, Tonteg, Pontypridd.

Dad, I don't need a bike for Christmas.
Why not?
'Cos I just found one behind the wardrobe.

Emma Clayton, Sheffield

Why did the Skeleton not go to the Christmas party?
Because he had no body to go with.

Fiona Clarke, Kells.

Ewan Chamings, Swinton.

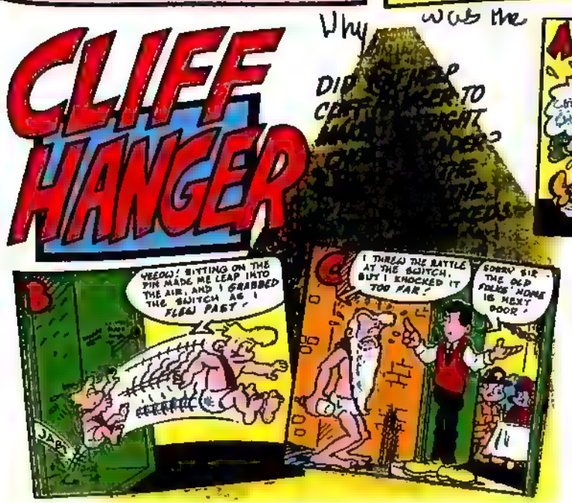
BUSTER BIRTHDAYS

20 DEC - GARY NOBLE (age 9), SEATON, ABERDEEN.
26 DEC - ROSLYN TITTENSOR (age 15), ROTHESAY.
29 DEC - NICOLA AND MELISSA BLACKFORD (TWINS, age 11), OUD-TURNHOUT, BELGIUM.
30 DEC - JONATHAN FIELD (age 13), DUDLEY, W.MIDLANDS.
31 DEC - JOANNE FAUX (age 9), STAMFORD, LINCS.
31 DEC - JONATHAN HART (age 22), LYNEHAM, WILTS.
1 JAN - DEEPA HEKIM (age 12), CAMBRIDGE.

★ BUSTER'S CHRISTMAS BONUS!

Every reader with something appearing on this week's Pin-Board or in "Dear Buster" will receive, in addition to the regular £2.00 prize, the brill BUSTER CHRISTMAS BONUS of a 3M "POST-IT" Note Cube, containing 450 brightly-coloured NEON self-stick notes. POST-IT Note Cubes make ideal surprise Christmas gifts!

CLIFF HANGER



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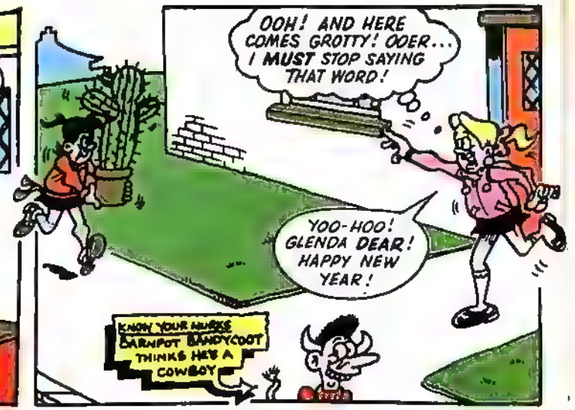
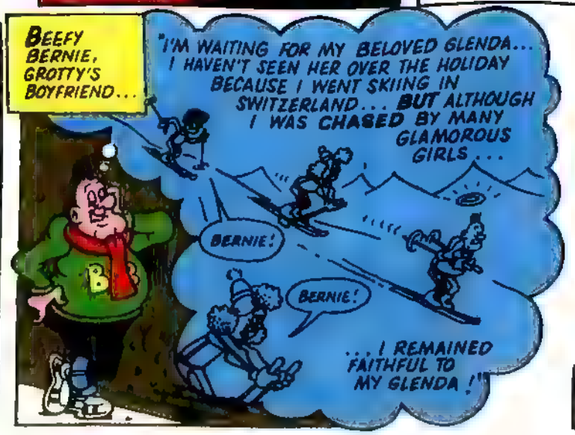
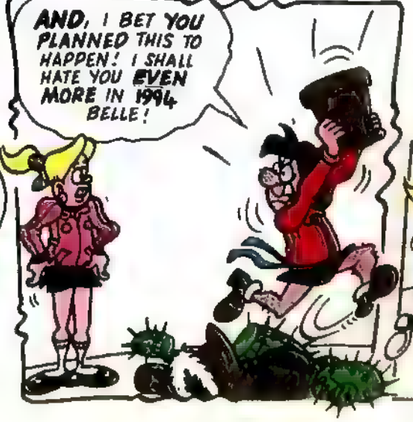
PLEASE FILL IN AND SEND THIS COUPON WHENEVER YOU WRITE TO *BUSTER*

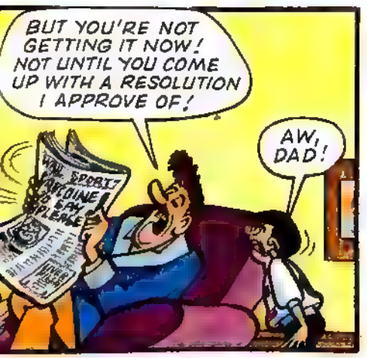
MY *FAVE FEATURES* IN *BUSTER* ARE:
1 Its brill
2 and brill stories
MY *LEAST* FAVE FEATURE IS:
Roots & Wigs

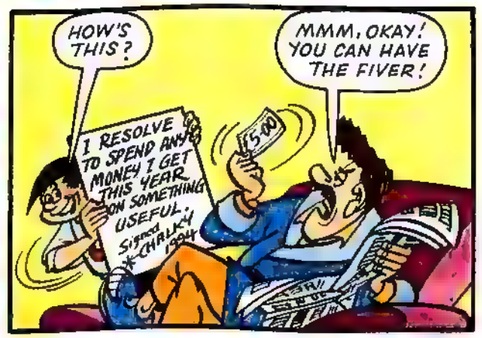
SCHOOL BELLE

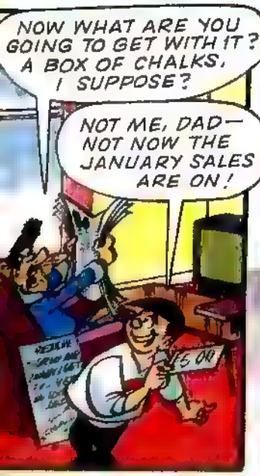


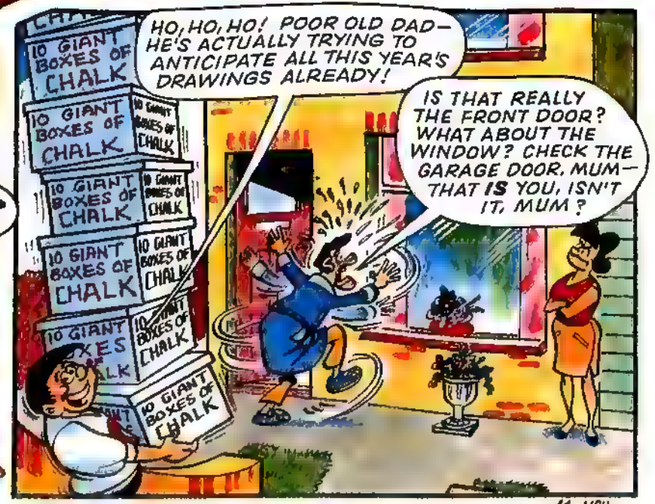












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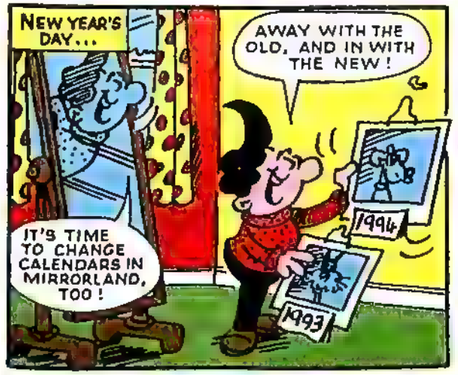
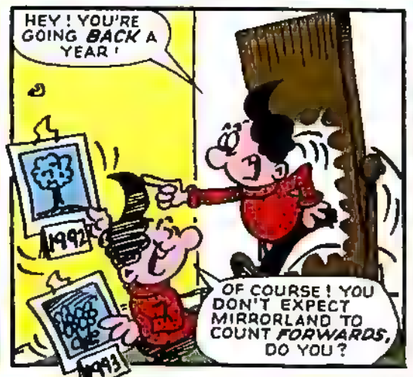
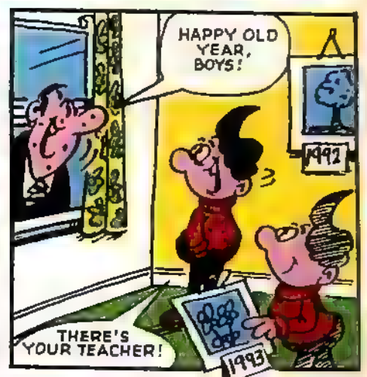
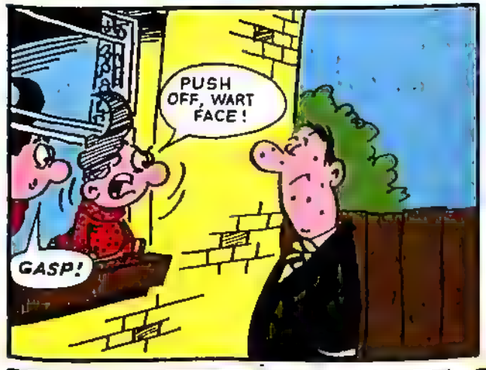
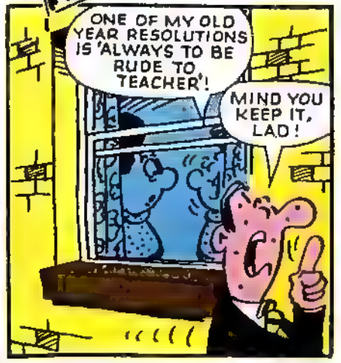
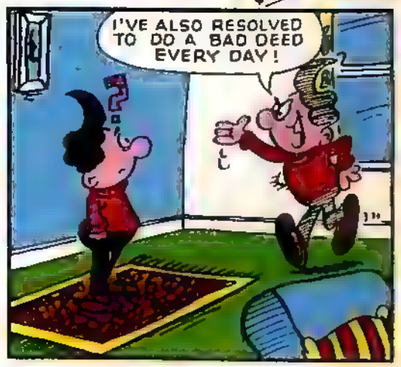


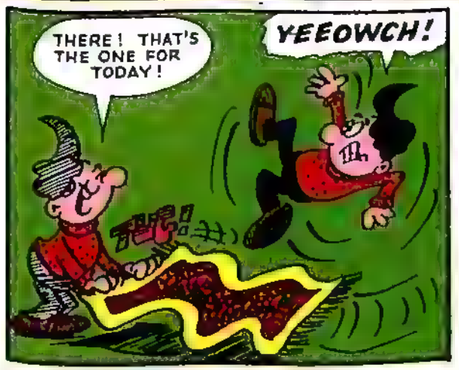


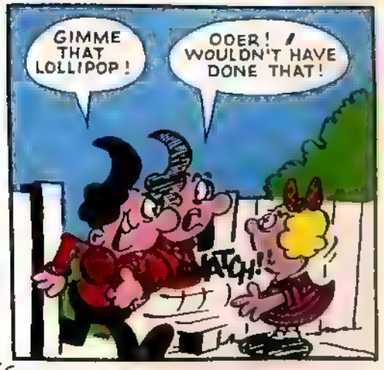


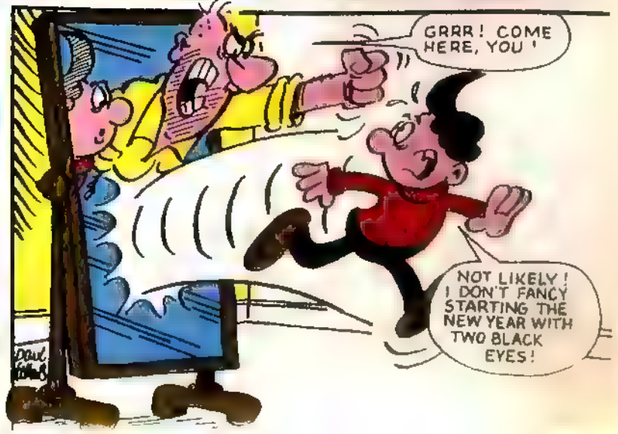








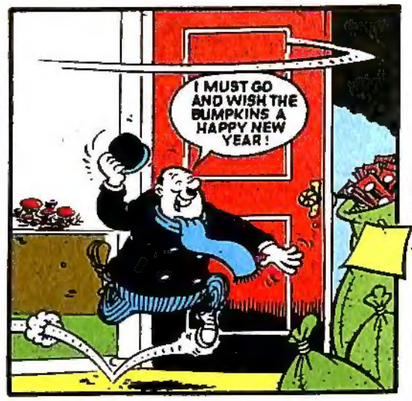


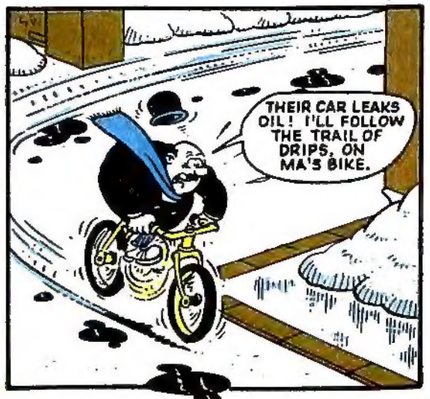


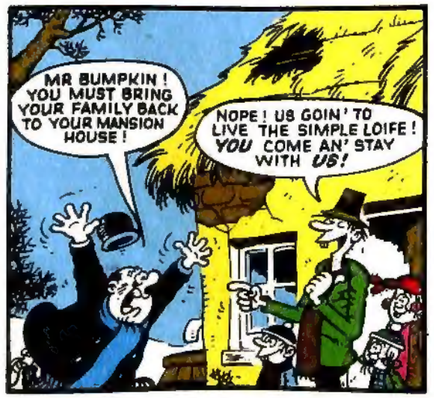
THE CRAZIEST CHARACTERS ARE ALWAYS IN BUSTER COMIC
LUCY & LASTIC
A FAMILY CHRISTMAS...
PULL A CRACKER, TOMMY?
UH?
UH-OH!
PLANNG!
TWANG!
SNAP!
SNAP!
SNAP!
WOOAAH!
ERK!
LUCY! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE TRIMMINGS? AND WHERE'S YOUR COUSIN TOMMY?
ER...
FLOP!
YOU DID SAY HE WAS A DISTANT COUSIN!
AAAGH!
DON'T WORRY, I'LL FIND HIM!
BUT THERE'S THREE METRES OF SNOW OUT THERE!
I'LL USE THREE METRE LEGS!
PYOING!
TOMMY!

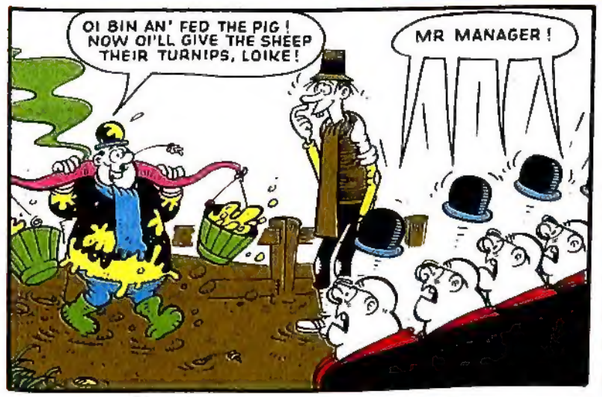
PHEW! YOU SAVED OUR BACON!
TWDINNNNNG!
ER... I WOULDN'T BE SO SURE!
LOOK WHAT I GRABBED!
HEH, HEH! GULP! N-NICE YETI!
AAAAGGH!
GULP!
LUCY!
YOU CAN'T KEEP US LASTICS DOWN!
SHE BOUNCED RIGHT OUT AGAIN!
POOING!
SMASH!
?
PYONG! PYANG! PING! BDOINNK! PYING! BYOING!
HE'S HAD A BELLYFUL OF YOU!
MORE LIKE AN ABDOMINAL SNOWMAN NOW!
CHRONIC INDIGESTION!

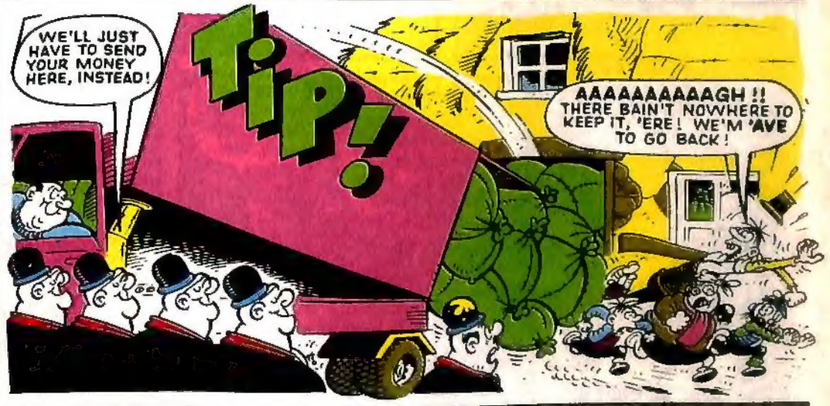
The BUMPKIN BILLIONAIRES











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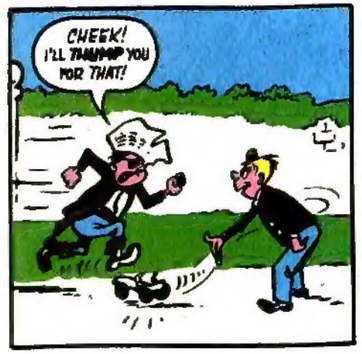

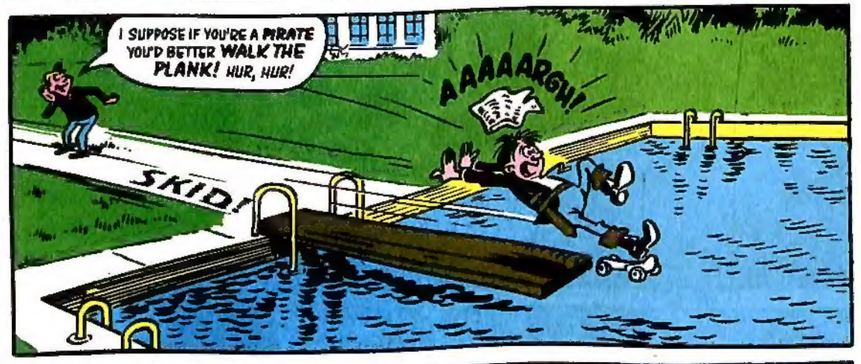

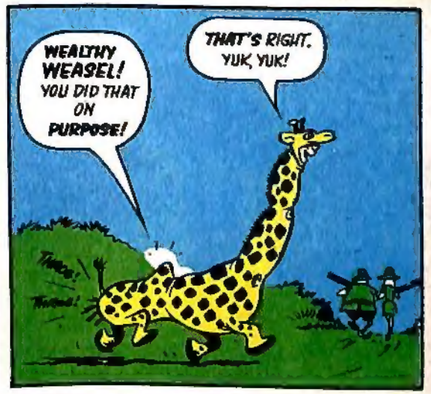

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NEW YEAR'S DAY--

I WONDER WHAT 1984 WILL BE LIKE?

VIC CAN TELL US THAT!

HAPPY EASTER

I'LL PRESS "FAST FORWARD" AND FIND OUT WHERE WE'LL BE GOING FOR OUR SUMMER HOLIDAYS!

BUT--

MUDBURY-ON-SEA... AND THE WEATHER'S LOUSY... AS USUAL!

"REWIND" -FAST!

THEN--

I WONDER IF I'LL GET ASKED OUT BY A DISHY-LOOKING BOY?

LET'S FIND OUT!

BUT--

BE MY VALENTINE!?

EEEK! FAST "REWIND", VIC!

I WONDER IF MY BOSS WILL SAY "YES" WHEN I ASK HIM FOR A RAISE?

WE'LL SOON KNOW!

BUT--

OOW!

DAD GETS A RAISE, ALL RIGHT-- ABOUT 1 METRE OFF THE GROUND!

THEN--

I WONDER IF I'LL BE JUST AS SLIM AND BEAUTIFUL THIS TIME NEXT YEAR?

LET'S FIND OUT, MUM!

BUT--

AAAGGGHHH!

I RECKON IT DOESN'T PAY TO LOOK INTO THE FUTURE!

DAD'S RIGHT! THINGS DON'T ALWAYS CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.

HERE'S ONE PREDICTION I CAN MAKE WITHOUT MY VIDEO CONTROL BOX--- IN 1994, "BUSTER" WILL STILL BE THE BEST COMIC AROUND!

HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE!

Buster

THE FIGMENTS OF PHIL'S IMAGINATION

WONDER WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE A CHRISTMAS PRESENT?

CHRISTMAS TOYS

ERK! LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO BE SOMEBODY'S CHRISTMAS PRESSIE THIS WEEK!

CUDDLY TOYS!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FIGMENTS FOR SALE

GNNH! DON'T SQUEEZE US, MISSUS!

LET'S HOPE WE'RE GOING TO A GOOD HOME!

THESE ARE A BIT SCRAGGY- I WANT SOME MONEY KNOCKED OFF THEM!

SCRAGGY? WHAT A CHEEK!

OOH! AAH! TRUST HER TO HAVE HOLLY IN HER BAG!

OH-OH! LOOKS LIKE IT'S TIME FOR US TO "WRAP UP".

ROLL ON CHRISTMAS MORNING— WHEN WE'LL GET OUT OF HERE!

CHRISTMAS MORNING...

MODEL FIGMENTS! THEY'RE GREAT!

TO TOMMY

WHAT'S NEXT?

SOB! DISCARDED ALREADY!

GRAB!

TO TOMMY

POOR THING! CAN'T BE EASY BEING A CHRISTMAS PRESENT!

POOR BOY! CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FEVER MUST HAVE GOT TO HIM!

PAT!

TOY DEPT

RISTMAS TOYS

NOW PALS, FOLD THIS PAGE OVER CAREFULLY ARROW TO ARROW! HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

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